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Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road Mast. Hongkong, January 27, 1876.

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DENG-SHUIT OF THE RUDINGHTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN OHINA. By Dr. M. J. Erren. One Volume, 8vo. Price. BUDDHISM, Its HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in three Legiures. By Dr. E. J. PATRIL Second Edition. One

Volume, Svo. Price, \$1.50. Orders will be received by Mesars Lane Drawford & Co. Hone bong, July 81, 18/4.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE. Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V SHAW to sign my name per procura-

A. MAOG, HEATON, Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE. AR. OTTO GRABE has been admitted A Partner in our Firm from JAUUATY, 1876. E. MEYER & Co

Tientain, January 1876.

NOTICE. TR. CARL KREES has been duly suthorised to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.

MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

TATE have Established branches of our Firm at Halphong and Hanol. M CONSTANTING is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin

Landstein & Co Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NUTIOE.

TTAVING resigned my situation in the YVER BAT HOME. I have this day established myself as Merchant and Commission agent under the style of Sun Guer

O. SUN GHEE. Hougkong, November 11, 1875.

NOTIOE. FIRE Partnership hitherto existing be-

tween JOREPH THORNE and JOHN ANDREW MAITLAND, under the style of Thorne Brothers & Oo., is this day dissolved by effluxion of time ! either partner is authorised to sign the firm in liquidation. THORNE BROTHERS & Co. Dec. 31, 1875.

71TH reference to the above, the Business of the late Firm of Thorne Brothers & Co. will be conducted in future the Undersigned, under the style of MAITLAND & Co., and Mr JOHN GRAEME PURDON is authorised to sign the firm. J. A. MAITLAND

Shanghai, Jan. 1, 1876.

TO EFERBING to the foregoing advertisement, our Firm at Shanohai is temporarily closed from this date; its outstanding business will be attended to by Mr. John G. Pundon, to whom all communications should be addressed.

Our Firm and business at Hongkong, Foochow, and Canton, will be carried on as heretofore, the interest and responsibility of Mr. John G. Pundon remaining therein

PURDON & Co. China, Jan. 1, 1876.

intimations.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COM PANY OF HONGKONG LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be OLOSED on the First Feb. ruary next, after which date no further transfer of Shares will be made. ADOLF ANDRE

F. D. BASSOON, Hongkong, January 10, 1876. HONGKONG, CANTUN, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

LIMITED.

THE Dividend, at the rate of 4% or 83 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be payable at the Hongkoug and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after THURSDAY, the 27th Instant, Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for warrants. By Order of the Board of Directors. P. A. DA COSTA

Hongkong, Jahuary 24, 1876. BONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER

OF COMMERCE. NOTIOE.

THE Post of Secretary being about to become vacant, Applications for the same addressed to the Ohairman will be

received up to the 25th Instant, Salary \$1,500 per annum. Hongkong, January 18, 1876.

in consequence of the reduc. TION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAL COURTER AND CHINA GAZETTE."

IT WILL BE THE CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA and as a largs INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY DE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE ADVANTAGE TO ADVERTIBERS

intimations.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Class No. 7. Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY pert, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to Sist DECEMBER 1875, the report of the cantern preparets with elect a Consulting Committee and Anditon JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers Hongkong bike Insurince Company LIMITED Hongkong, January 17, 1878.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

NOTICE.

TIBE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLUSED from the 3rd to the 17th February Next, both days in-JARDINE: MATHESON & Co..

General Managers Hongrong Kire Insurance Company. Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Annual General Meeting of the Chamber will be held on THURS DAY. February 3rd, st 3 o'clock p.m., the Rooms of the Chamber, City Hall. receive the Report of the Committee and statement of the Secretary's accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1875. By Order.

A. NOEL BLAKEMAN

CLEARANCE SALE

Hongkong, January 27, 1876.

for sale.

CAYLE & Co. will offer, on and after TUESDAY Next,

the 18th Instant, the re- by Public Auction, on mainder of their Winter Stock at Greatly Reduced

Prices, consisting of:-Winter Costumes and Polonaises. Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.

Fancy Dress materials of all kinds. Wool Plaids and Flannels. Silks and Poplins.

Wool Shawls and Cloaks. Trimmed and Untrimmed Hat and Bonnets.

Fancy Wool Goods. Lace and Linen Sets. Scarves and Sashes. Boys' Suits.

Children's Dresses.

&c. CC.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE: Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

TAKASIMA COLLIERY. JARDINE, MATHEBON & Co. Agents,

DIRESH Takes pa COAL, in lots suit purchasers. Lande, Handpicked Donble-screened at \$6 per Ton. Small at 46 per Ton. Apply to

T. G. GLOVER. No. 7, Queen's Road and at East Point. Hongkong, December 8, 1875.

DUC DE MONTEBELLO CARTE Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dosen.) Dints, \$18 ... (2 ...)
5 per sent discount on 25 cases.

\$12 per case (1 dosen.) FOR BALL DY HEARD & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1875,

Bourbon WHISKEY

FOR BALE RARTIEN'S PATRAT NOMBOSITION PAINT For Ships Bottoms. Sole Apents for China, V. BLACKHEAD & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1875.

For Sale.

ON SALE THE

BSE READERS MANUAL HANDBOOK of Biographical torical Mythological and Gene Literary Reference

WILLIAM FRADERIUM MAYERS. Error & S.B.

hanghai, do Co Honghong, CRINA MAIL OFFICE Auetions.

PUBLIC AUCTION: THE Undersigned has received in structions to sell by Public Auction

SATURDAY the 29th Instant, 1876, at Noon, at his

Sale Rooms, Queen's Road,— The Schooner Yacht "LOITERER."

44 Tons, as she now lies at anchor at her Moorings in this harbour (off the Parade Ground.) The Vessel can be inspected, and Par ticulars of her Inventory, det can be

obtained from the Undersigned Afterwards at the same time The MOORINGS, do, will be Sold

in one lot. One Borew MOORING, of 10 owt screwed down, 8 fathoms, with 15 fthms in Chain Bridle, Swivel and Buoy situated off the Messageries Maritimes

TERMS OF SALE. Cash before deliver in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1. All lots, with all faults and errors description, at purchasers risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG Hongkong, Jan, 20, 1876.

CEUS)

ESSRS LANE, CRAWFORD Co. have been instructed to sell

WEDNESDAY the 9th February, 1876, at 20 clook p.m.,

at Stanley Barracks,-

IN LOTS, The Materials of the Buildings situated on the Military Cantonment, as the now stand, with the exception of the

foundations and retaining walls. The purchasers will be required clear and remove from the ground the rubbish on each lot.

The lots may now be viewed, and full particulars obtained on application at the Control Reserve Stores, Queen's Road East, between the hours of 10 a.m. and TERMS OF SALE - Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. C. R. SHERVINTON. Lieus Colonely Assistant Controller

Control Office, Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1876.

 $N.\ B.$ —For the convenience of intending purchasers, a Steam Launch wi leave Peddar's Wharf, on the morning of the Sale, at 10 o'clock, for Stanley.

shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY, TAMBUI AND TAKAO. Captain Assort, VIII the 29th Instant, at 8 p.m.

For Freight of Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 27, 1878. 1429 OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

FOR SHANGHAL Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PURTS IN The Conspany a Steamant.

House to be a supervised by the supervised by th

MOR TOKOHAMA The Broadship BENTELL! Captain Buthanan leave for the above Port of SATURD N, the 29th Instant at 4 p. in.

Vot Breight of Postage apply to VARDINE MADERSON & Co. Hongkong, January 25, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers,

自三初月正年于丙

FOR SWATOW. AMOY & FOOCHOV Captain PUNCHARD, will despatched for the Ports on SUNDAY Next, the Soth Instan

at Daylight For Freight or Passage, apply to BOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 24, 1876. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ-CANAL The Company's Steamship will be despatched on o

about the 8th February For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERTIKLD & SWIRE

Hongkong, January 24, 1876. FOR SHANGHAL The British Steamship Toy, Master, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above, For Freight or Passage, apply to

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

NOTICE.

The Company's Steamship Captain LASQUALINI, Will despatched for YOKOHAM horsly after the arrival of next French

C. BERTRAND Principal Agent. Hongkong, Jenuary 24, 1876.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship Captain Flamerau, will be despatched for SHANGHA

shortly after her arrival from Europe." C. BERTRAND.

Principal Agent. Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

The A I American Bark

Sailing Vessels. FOR NEW YORK.

CRUSADER. FRED. GORHAM, Master, wil load bere and at Whampos, and will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 21, 1876. FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark of 605 Tons Register, Captain

T. LANDY, will load here and at Whampos, and will have quick despatch For Freight, apply to Vogel, hagedorn & Co.

Hongkong, January 10, 1876. FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. (Calling at Adelaide if sufficient inducement

The A 1 British Bark "NOVELTY." LIMMER, Master, will los i here for the above Ports, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 7, 1876.

FOR NEW YORK. The A L British Bark "ARDENTINNY." BROWN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa, and will have quick dispatch as above. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, December 27, 1875. FOR SALE, FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The British Ship THE MILES, Master, of 1,478 CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo Tons Register

WIELER & Co. Rongkong, January 0, 1876.

sa Apply to

Notices to Consignees. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Benledt having arrived from PD 1/35 . . . 85 cates Bear. the above ports. Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being isaded at their risk and stored by AB No. 5 . . I case Merchandiss. the Undersigned at their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf or Boats delivery may No Fire Losurance has been effected. Careo remaining undelivered after the Sist Instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

Notices to consignees

OCEAN STRAMSBIP COMPANY

JONSIGNEES per Company's Streets Ulysses, are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into etall; and landed at the Godowns of the Understance both cases it will lie at Consigness risk. The Cargo will be ready for deliver from Godown on and after the 22nd January, 1876. north court and service of the land of the land

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

FROM CALCUTTA AND SINGAPORE. [1] HE S. S. Penguin having arrived; Conaignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored by the Understand st their Godowns, whence and from the

B. B. CHEOPS.

Hongkong, January 24, 1876

JARDINE MATHESON & Co. 16

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE THIS Steamer having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, by Mr A. Mog. HEATON, into the Goddwine of Mesers Gilman & Co., whence delivers

Goods on the Wharf, are at diberty to Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 p.m. To-day. No Claims will be admitted after the

subject to rent. Product to the design and the state of t No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees of Cargo from London are also informed, that before delivery can be obtained, they will be required to sign the Average Lond lying at the Office of Undersigned and give Approved Guarantee for

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 24, 1876. BRITISH BARK COLDSTREAM.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 13, 1876.

YONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, loggo and Cargo impeding the discharge of the

signess risk and expense. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

NOTION TO CONSIGNMEN.

Ex Donnal, July 2, 1874 Ex Isabuaddy, November 99, 1878.

Ex Anadyr, January 18, 1876, 18 . I case Merchandise. M.W. (in diamond), 100 below Cottons CEP (in diamond) . 50 bales Cotton TO (in dismond) , 90 bales Cotton. ON J (in diamond). 60 bales Coston

HM . Pro 100 balos Cotlog Hongkong, January 21, 1879

Goods undelivered after 29th January, 1876; will be subject to rent.

Hongkong, January 22, 1876.

Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. No Fire insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

may be obtained. Consignees wishing to receive their

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 31st Instant will be

Contribution to General Average. Bills of Lading will be counteralgued

FROM LONDON.

signees' risk and expense. A gerite.

BRITISH SHIP GRYFE, FROM

vessel, will be landed and stored at Con-

Hongkong, December 80, 1875. ONSIGNEES of Cargo per German J. Barque IRIS, WENDY, Master from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from

WM. PUSTAU & Ca. Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

alonguide.

MARITIMES.

are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Understand for sounters agosture, and take immediate delivery. Tile Cargo has been Middel and showed at beir fisk and expense. No Fire Institution has been affected. O. BERTRAND

NV (in dismond) . 75 bales Cotton.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

HUNGKONG. THE LAST NIGHT BUT TWO OF AVE CARSON'S MINSTRELS.

To-morrow Evening. January 29th, 1876.

Second time in Hongkong of the most astounding deception of the .. ge.

THE WONDERFUL CASINET, BOX AND HANDOUFF TRICKS. Now creating so profound a sensation in London, will be produced precisely

u performed By Messis Maskettne and Cooks and Dr Lynn, at the RGYPTIAN HALL, PICCADILLY Who are acknowledged to be the most

celebrated *SPIRITUALISTIO THAUM ATUR-*GISTS OF THE AGE.

wonderful delusions have been mysstifying London for the past two years, and are still unaccounted for. "NOTHING SINCE THE TIME OF THE PHARAOHS

Ever created such astonishment" (says the London Times.)

The effects produced are seemingly allied to the supernatural. A box is placed upon the stage, and anyone is at liberty to closely inspect the same. One of the performers is then put inside the box, which is next carefully looked by any gentleman present. the latter retaining possession of the key. The public are further at liberty to gord the box, using any kind of knot they choose. And lastly, these knots may be sealed. The Cabinet is now brought to the front, and the box, with the performer inside, placed in the receptacle for the same in the Cabinet. In a few minutes the public are permitted to open the Cabinet, take out the box, break the seals, untie the knots, and unfasten the look, when, much to their astonishment, they will find the gentleman, who had been so carefully looked up non

The Handouff Trick is equally clever and astonishing. A member of the Police Force will be requested to bring a pair of his regulation handouffs, and apply the same in the usual manner to Mr. OAR-BON'S wrists. The latter will free himself from his fetters in less than a minute!!

Mr. CARSON, during his recent trip to London, visited Messrs. MASKELYNE and COOKE and Dr. LYNN'S Entertainments, and was so much impressed with the expose of the strange manifestation generally attributed to Spiritualism he then saw, that he determined to purchase the right of exhibition of the same marvellous February, both days inclusive. feats in the East.

IN ADDITION TO THE USUAL PROGRAMME OF DAVE CARSON'S MINSTRELS,

these illustrations of so-called Spiritualism will be exhibited for the second time in HONGKONG. The startling effects are far more marvellous than any of those that have been said to have been produced in EUROPE and AMERICA, and described as "PSYCHIC FORCE."

> PROGRAMME. PART FIRST.

Mrs. CARSON will preside at the Pianoforte. Introductory Instrumental

Overture (Operatic)..... DAVE CARSON'S Minstrels. Opening Chorus (Robert le There's a letter in the Candle Mr G. H. HENRI.

The Girl of the Period (Original)......Dave Carson. Dreaming of Angels Mr JaC. TALBOT. My Grandfather's Farm-

The little one that died ... MrG. H. HENEL Part First will conclude with an Original Burlesque, entitled THE SWISS WARBLERS."

INTERVAL OF TEN MINUTES.

PART SECOND. Barcarole...... Ou voulez vous aller "...... Mrs. DAYE CARSON. LA PRIMA DONNA D'AFRIQUE

MR. J. C. TALBOT. BANJOISTIC ECCENTRICITIES. MR. G. H. HENRI.

English Song-"Please give me a Penny, Sir,"-WORDS BY DAVE CARSON. MRS. CARSON. Part Second will terminate with an Original

Minstrel Morcean, entitled. "THE SOHOOLMASTER ABBO"D introducing the song and imitations of THE BLUE TAIL FLY," -BY-

> DAVE CARSON. AN INTERVAL OF FIVE MINUTES.

The Evening's Entertainment will conclude with a Comic Sketch, entitled THE TROUBLESOME SERVANT. Balliff Mr Madison OBREY.

Ephraim (the Troublesome Servant).........DAYE CARSON. Introducing the wonderful Box, Cabinet, and Handouff Illusions.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Dress Circle,..... \$ 2.00 Orchestra Stalls 2 00. Back Seats, 1.00. Children under twelve years of age half price to Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls only. Children in Arms,..... 25.00.

Tickets may be had, and Seats secured at Mesers Land, Chawyorp & Co.'s for Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls, only and at the Doors of the Theatre on the Evening of Performance.

Doors open at 8 o'clock |-- Trouble begins at 0; Agony Over, 11.18.

Dave Carson's United Ministrel and Burlesque Album, containing the Bengales Baboo and 24 other Popular Songs and Choruses, with Pinnoforte Accompaniments. pan be obtained at the Doors and of Messre LANE, ORAWNORD & Co.-Price 81. Monghoug, January 28, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA. The P. & O. S. N. Co. & S. S. "BOMBAY" will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Golconda, with the next English Mail. A. MolVER. Hongkong, January 28, 1876

STEAM TO SHANGHAL. (Taking Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI & HIOGO.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s B. S. "GOLCONDA" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arri-

A. MoIVER. Superintendent. Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

S. S. GENOA." FROM LONDON, PENANG AND

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, by Messra Nonron & Co., into their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf or boats, delivery may be obtained. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 4th Proximo will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Agents.

Hongkong, January 28, 1876. HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY.

- (LIMITED.) NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Dividend of \$2.50 per share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held To-day, will be payable at the Hongkong & BRANGRAI BANKING CORPORATION OR and after the 10th proximo. Shareholders are requested to apply at the Secretary's Office for War-

By order of the Board of Directors. LQUIS HAUSORILD,

Scoretary. Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventh Ordinary MEETING Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of FRIDAY, the 18th February Next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors, for the Year ending Slat December, 1875. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 18th

> By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. Hecretary.

Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Jau. 28, Genoa, British steamer, 1215, Corrigall, London Nov. 28, Malta Dec. 6 Port Said 13, Suez 15, Point de Galle 30, Penang Jan. 11, Singapore 17, General. Jardine, Matheson & Co. .

Jan. 28, Lea, Austrian barque, 906, F. Smerchinieg, Cardiff July 30, Coal.

Jan. 28, Lotus, British steamer, 1407, Gray, Saigon Jan. 22, Rice. - DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

DEPARTURES. Jan. 27. Fontenaye, for Bangkok. 27, Tartar, for Tientsin. 27, Yangieze, for Canton. 28, Wega, for Whampon. 28, Kajanattianuhar, for Bangkok.

OLEARED. Fano, for Tientsin. Presto, for Tientsin. Iris, for Singapores Fuyew, for Canton. Lunalilo, for Kelung.

Pernambuco, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. -Per Genoa, 6 Chinese. SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Genoa reports: inthe Mediterranean had strong gales from the Northward, when lost one blade of the propeller Thence to Singapore had fine weather, since when had strong N.E. winds with heavy head sea. Will leave shortly for Yokobama, and on returning intend

The Austrian barque Lea reports; in the Channel strong Easterly gales, in the Atlantic moderately flue weather, and fine weather to the China Sea, since entering which have had strong N.E. winds and

occasional squally weather. The Brit. steamer Lotus reports: strong N. E. mousoon and heavy saas throughout, and shipped large bodies of water, fortunately doing no damage.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS WILL OLOSE:-

FOR AMOY, TAMBUI AND TAKAO .-Per HAILUONG, at 2 80 p.m. on Saturday, the 29th Instant.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET The United States Mail Packet GARLIC will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 3rd February, at 8 p. M. with the Mails-For Yokohama, San Francisco, the United

States and the United Kingdom. The Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Books, Newspapers, &c., until 2.30 p.m.

Letters can be posted on board the Packet from 2.80 p.m. to 2.50 p.m. on payment of a Late Fee of 12 cents in addition to the Postage. The prepayment of the Postage to all the

above places by this route is compulsory. Correspondence insufficiently prepaid will be forwarded by the English Packets.

Correspondence addressed to Yokohama and the United States must be superscribed per Gallis, and that addressed to the United Kingdom must be supersoribed "vid Ban Francisco."

ALFRED LISTER Postmaster Generala General Post Office. 1430 Hongkong, Jan. 18, 1876;

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATINOS, MAILS WILL CLOSE :--

Per BENLEDI, at 3.80 p.m. on Saturday, the 29th Inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. Per YESSO, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 29th Instant

For YOKOBAMA.

WAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.-The English Contract Packet CKYLON will be despatched with the Mails for Kurope, do, on THURSDAY, the

The following will be the hours of closing

Wednesday, and Feb. 5 r.m., Money Order Office closes. 6 r. w. Post Office closes except the Night Box. which remains open all night.

Thursday, 3rd Feb. for sale sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of A.M. Post Office opens of Stamps, Registry of Letters; and the early issue of the paper. Posting of all correspondence.

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ALFRED LISTER,

Postmaster General. General Post Office. Hongkong, Jan. 20, 1876.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet ANADYR, will be despatched on THURSDAY the 10th February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Galle, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Sues, and Alex-

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which remains open all night. Thursday, 10th Feb .-7 LE. Post Office opens for sale of The publication of this issue commenced Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 Amir Registry of Letters ceases.

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11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late /11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.80 AM., when the Post Office CLOSES

entirely. ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General General Post Office

General Memoranda.

Hongkong, January 27, 1876

SUNDAY, Jan. 30:-Daylight - Yesto leaves for Swatow. Amoy and Foochow.

MONDAY, Jan. 81:-Claims against the Estates of Seth Aviet Seth, Johannes Christian Bobsein, Von Tsee, Henry Stroud, Abyoong, George Munro, Daniel Norton, this date.

date subject to rent. Goods, per Beniede undelivered after thi date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, Feb. 1:-The Transfer Books of the Victoria Fire Insurance Company of Hongkong Limited, in Liquidation, will be closed from this date.

THURSDAY, Feb. 3:-

Noon, - English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 3 p.m. -Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s

Steamer Gaelio leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco. 3 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

Transfer Books of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, closed from this date to 17th February, in-

FRIDAY, Feb. 4:-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Measure Lane, Crawford & Co. Goods per Genoa undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, Feb. 5:-Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, closed from this date to 18th February, Inclusive.

TURBDAY, Feb. 8:-Priom leaves for London on or about this date.

VEDNESDAY, Peb. 9:--2 p.m. - Sale of Building Materials on Military Cantonment, at Stanley Bar-

THURSDAY, Feb. 10:-

TROKE.

the H. K. & S. Banking Corporation. TURBDAY, Feb. 15:-

8 p.m. - American Mail leaves for Yokohams and Ban Francisco. TRUBBDAY, Feb. 17;-8 p.m .- Seventh Ordinary Annual Muet-

ing of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, BRIDAY, Feb. 18:-8 p.m .- Meeting of Bharsholders of he

China Fire Insurance Co., Limited MORDAY, Feb. 18:-Claims against the Estate of George Barty Falconer, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

SATURDAY, April 11-4 Warrants against unclaimed Dividends. Bonus of Interests on Victoria Fire Insurance Co., to be presented before this dates

rinky, Jone 80:-Claims against the Estate of Diederich Heimsobt, Querino Antonio Gutletrez, Martin Carroll, Dorn Howard, and Repry Roberts deceased; must be proved on or below this date.

* MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping. 3 p.m. - Hailoong leaves for Amoy amount and Takao.

4 n. m. Beniedt leaves for Yokoliama, Menchus leaves for Shanghal on or about Goods per Ulysses undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Noon. - Sale of the Schooner Yach Loiterer off the Parade Ground. -Amusements

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9 p.m. - Dave Carson's Performance at City Hall,

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGHONG, FRIDAY, JAN. 28, 1876.

THE announcement that troops will be

sent through Burmah to meet Messra

Grosvenor, Baber and Davenport on their depature from Yunnan is, if accurate, one of the most satisfactory items of intelligence we have yet had to record in connection with what we fear will historically be termed the Yunnan ficeco. It at least evidences that, no matter how much Sir Thomas Wade may have been imposed upon, the Home Government is not altogether | THE case of Tsoi Sing Nam ats Regina, blind to the necessity of showing that concluded yesterday in the Supreme it has both the will and the power to Court, is one which deserves passing The Penang paper has taken to calling H. protect its officials, or, if need be, comment. The great interest evinced by E, the Governor of the Straits Settlements avenge them. That it has not done both the foreign and native community more to enforce satisfaction for Mar- in its results and the unmistakable signs deceased, must be proved on or before gary's murder is easily explicable. The of satisfaction which greeted the verdict negociations from first to last were left show that the charge was one which Goods per Cheops undelivered after this absolutely in the hands of the minister, was generally felt was of a class which who it would appear undertook to ob- opened the door to prosecutions which, parties, and the concession of certain nocent men. We cannot, for obvious privileges long left in undue abeyance, reasons, discuss the questions raised in if ample time and full powers were full. But we may observe that the law conceded to him. Much of the dis- of evidence, which precludes the defendagreement in fact between Sir Thomas ant from adducing testimony tending to Wade and the foreign public in China shew that the plaintiff had committed turns upon this question of time. To particular acts which would have vitiated the ordinary mind any satisfaction ob- the force of her assertions, bears upon tained would seem useless if several the Chinese community of this Colon months were allowed to elapse between with peculiar hardship. The reason is the perpetration of a crime and its even- not far to seek. At home, testimony as tual punishment. Sir Thomas Wade, to female character is usually a matter on the contrary, has become sufficiently of public notoriety. Amongst the Chisinicized (if we may coin the word) to nese this notoriety is, owing to the peonlook upon a few months more or less liar nature of Chinese social life, more as of no importance. As a matter of fact | difficult to prove, inasmuch as the conthus much may be said in his favour :- the duct which in England is held to justify higher class mandarins who take six a conclusion of loose living, is, in Hong- Emanuel on Sunday morning at ten o'clockmonths to reach the localities of their kong, alleged not to subject the person appointments, and to whom delay is as named to similar suspicions. Such, natural as haste is to energetic Westerns, all events, is the magisterial dictum, and do not regard a postponement of pun- it appears to be endorsed by the Supreme ishment as evincing weakness or want Court. A singing girl who frequents of power. Thus far Sir Thomas Wade brothels, for instance, is not necessarily is right. But he totally overlooks the held to come under evil suspicions, and effect upon the proletariat who, like the this despite the fact that amongst the peoples of Western pations, speedily Chinese any public appearance of women forget anything which they have not is in itself disreputable. We cannot strong reason to remember. It is for help thinking that such an interpretation them and them alone that promptitude of what justifies a suspicion of loose livis all desirable, and we still find grave ing is most mischievous, inasmuch as it reason to question the wisdom of our

But beyond this comes the question, Dividend of \$2.50 per share of the Hong, will that action, even eventually, prove kong Botel Co., Limited, payable at successful in reading China a much or more members of the Tung Wah Hosneeded lesson? And we must confess to pital Committee. That she has failed in having had grave doubts of such an out her endeavour to punish the defendant come. At all events the memorial of for his immorality is, as a matter Li Han Chang and the reported temper principle, satisfactory. Had she been of the Yunnan people do not point that successful nearly every well-to-do Chinese way. At this juncture therefore the in the Colony might, thanks to the inannouncement that troops will be sent terpretation of the law placed upon it time. It is possible that the news of jected to similar prosecutions. the name of the intended excert will so great atil,

most favourable result to his action.

strengthen Li Han Chang's hands as to render it easy for him to punish the guilty parties, however powerful. Of course we are in fairness bound to accept this movement on our part as a portion of Sir Thomas Wade's scheme. and as justifying the remark made by a correspondent some time since, that he perfectly well knew what he was about In that case he will have been responsible for delay only. We certainly do not think he has managed the matter in a way calculated to impress the Chinese mind generally. But it is only just to admit that the total failure so much to. be feared seems now less remote, though of course, should the Chinese in Yunnan elect to fight, that result, welcome as it would be to the majority of foreigners. would prove that Sir Thomas Wade misconceived the position from the very

It is somewhat strange that, despite ar

bitrations and peace congresses, a non interference policy, and undoubted stinginess in the matter of pay and pensions to our troops, an increase in the Army Estimates should be found necessary. It is yet more strange that this increase should find approval or rather it would be strange, did the facts we have mentioned at all represent the feel ing of the people at large. Despite Mr Bright and his adherents, however, we such numbers of our countrymen in Great believe that the average Briton distrust arbitrations, laughs at peace congresses, and is more than touchy as to the position we now hold vis-a-vis other nations Conscious that we are as strong now as at any period of our history, he cannot repress his annoyance at being told that our opinion is no longer watched with anxiety by the other great powers of Europe, and there is no doubt that he is better prepared at this moment than at any other to accept measures which point to increasing the efficiency of our Army. On those resident at a distance however, such news tells in a somewhat different way. We are far less concerned out here as to what France and Germany are thinking of us than how China regards us. Of course we are all ready enough to Himalaya left Singapore last Saturday, admit that our position in Europe is far more important than our position in China. But the latter is an every day topic while our attention is only directed to THE S. S. Sunda has finished her repairs the former on the arrival of the weekly and has taken up her position amongst the mail. Viewed in this light the anshipping. The American barque Garibaldi nouncement referred to above has considerable interest for Hongkong, inasmuch as it will doubtless have an effect on Chinese opinion as to the advisability of risking war. Even though the fact that it has no reference to possible complications in this quarter of the world may be fully realized, the sign that e more warlike spirit is prevailing at home will not, we fancy, be without its

opens the door to extortion under threat Minister's policy, even assuming the of prosecution for acts which, however immoral, are not criminal. In the case under notice the ostensible prosecutor was apparently acting on the advice of one

to the Burmese frontier is most oppor- by our present officials, have been sub. The long pending case of Whittall and their advent will just effect what Sir We confess to a little surprise that the Thomas Wade's trust in the evasive woman Wong Ass was relieved of the promises of the Chinese would not charge upon which she had been com-Thanks to the telegraph, the news will mitted, although the learned Attorney liave already reached Shanghel, and will General, adding as a Grand Jury, therefore be known in Central China doubtless good grounds for setting aside before the march has been effected. In his indictment sgainet her. There is way of their coming to a conclusion. Is either case it will have a beneficial effect, much that is both unsatisfactory and If the Yunnan authorities mean, as has difficult to handle in the relations of the been alleged, to defy our power, an im- sexes amongst the Chinese resident in any adgment would be delivered. mediate movement to that end will take Hongkong avowedly under the rule of place. Mr Grosvenor and his party will British law. And in view of this fact, be turned back, and a direct issue will we had hoped that Wong A-se's trial be raised which our Government must would have given an impetus to official meet. If, on the other hand, the Chinese action having for its object the suppresof Yunnan elect to offer no opposition, sion of one of the worst features of this

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING

THE Press remarks that despite the popular opinion entertained at home of the unhealthiness of Hongkong, matters have materially changed for the better. It is not so very long ago, that one of Her Majesty's gunboats was paid off from a rather long commission without the loss of a single man. A study of recent life statistics in this Colony would open the eyes of Insurauce offices to the fact that they are committing an injustice to their constituents and an injury to themselves by the excessive rates of premium charged. No doubt in its early days, life in Hongkong musthave been decidedly unattractive to those who had been accustomed to the luxuries of civilised lands. The frequent processions to Happy Valley were sufficient, in such a small community, to inspire a sense of almost hopeless depression. Everything now, however, has changed for the better. Steam and the telegraph have revolutionized the conditions of life. It should be borne in mind, too, that here there are n terrible winters, no chilling damps and noxious ogs. The mind, also, is a stranger to many of the carking cares which oppress Britain. We can afford to laugh a the servant nuisauce as sketched in the pages of Punch. Many cares experienced at home are unknown here. On the whole there is little cause to grumble.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

WE understand that the 80th Band will not play at the Barracks this evening.

COMMODORS PARISH'S term of service will, we learn, terminate in April next. Rumour has not yet fixed upon his successor. As we before stated, H. M. S. Transport

22nd instant, and may be looked for about Monday or Tuesday.

has came out of Kowloong Dock. WE learn from the Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. that the Golconda, with the next English Mail, left Singapore for

Hongkong on Tuesday last at 6 p.m. PRIVATE letters from the North confirm the statement that Sir Thomas Wade is much annoyed at the spirit in which Li Han

Chang is entering on the Yunnan enquiry. Grandy." The epithet may be well deserred, but the good taste of the grandchild may be doubted.

THE E. and A. steamer Brisbane was expecttain the full punishment of the guilty if successful, might bear heavily on in- ed to leave Sourabaya on the 10th for Singapore, with mails, passengers, dra., and may therefore be looked for here in a day

> WE are afraid that the old time accuracy of the "man at the peak " is no longer continued. He mistook the Lotus for the French mail this afternoon, while his distance signals still remain things "that no fellow can understand."

Br kind permission of the Commodors, seamen from the various merchant vesse's in port are invited to attend the usual Divine Service on board H.M.S. Victor A launch will go round the harbour to collect those wishing to attend.

Tax phacquaintance of the Sikh constables with English is at times a source of aunoye ance. A few days since a resident desired. to call the attention of one of these men to a Chinese row, but could not make him comprehend anything. A duplicate, in the shape of a pidgiu-English-speaking Chinaman, should always be within hall,

AT the Marine Court to-day Daniel Davis. cook of the str. Beniedi, was charged by the Chief Officer with refusal of duty. 11 appeared from the evidence that Davis was ordered to cook the Captain's breakfast bus refused, saying he wanted his discharge. the defendant denied the charge, but was sout to three days' hard labour at order of

another against Benecke, Soutchay & Co., dams again to-day before the Chief Justice Sir John Smale, and Mr Justice Snowden in Chambers. The object of this sitting had was merely to clear up certain technicalities which their Lordship thought were in the was decided to call fresh evidence before

> THE Dully Press, in its extra of to-day, gives publicity to a telegram relating to the progress of the Cricket Match being played at Amoy between a Hengkong Lieven and the Amorties to the tree topings Bons

having contributed 22); while Amoy had scored 71 (Mr. W. Spinney having put together 19). While Hongkong, with 4 wickets down, had made 50 runs towards the second innings.

first performance given by Dave Carson, since his return from the North and came off last night before a fair Mr Dave's wit seems to be as lively and keen as ever, while the "jokatives" in which he revelled were wholesome and in good tasto—those regarding the civil marriage agitation and a worthy official being most heartily enjoyed. The second entertainment is announced for Saturday evening, when a well-filled house will doubtless reward the persistent and deserving efforts of Mr. Carson to amuse the public.

THE interpretation question is evidently so far as regards our Supreme Court-as yet unsettled. During the hearing of the celebre which occupied the attention of the Court yesterday, the Chief Justice gravely remarked that there was no word for of in Chinese; while the Court interremarked with equal gravity that the affix (forming the possessive) meant of inasmuch as it was the accusative case With such displays of philological knowledge, it is scarcely to be wondered at that inaccuracies are often complained of. As a matter of the interpretation is unsatisfactory, and will continue to be so until somebody who knows English well is appointed to do the duty.

MR JUSTICE SNOWDEN sat to-day in the Bummary Jurisdiction Court to hear a suit between Tang Ayat, a theatrical agent, and Tai Sam and another, alleged to be the owners of some theatrical Troupe. The action was brought for damages for breach of a contract made in Canton whereby the defendants agreed to bring the Yew Foong Nin Troupe to Hongkong on the 12th October last to play at the Koshing Theatre. Mr Dennys appeared for the plaintiff, and proved the payment of bargain money, boat-hire, rent of theatre, do. Mr. Sharp appeared for the defendants and contended that the contract was not made with his clients but with the proprietor of the troupe, of which the defendants were only employes. In the end judgment was given for the defendants.

HE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY.

meeting of the shareholders of this Company took place this afternoon (28th) at the office of the Company. There were present:-Messrs André (in the chair), Burrows, Belilios, G. Sharp, C. P. Chater, A. Vaucher, H. Smith, Simonis, Mestern, and hard labour. Hauschild (secretary).

been read by the secretary, the Chairman proposed that the report and statement be taken as read, the document having been in the hands of the shareholders for some time. In making this proposition, the Chairman said he had scarcely anything to add, except that the financial position of the Company was being more and more consolidated and improved from day to day. The debt of the Company had been reduced a good deal, and it was satisfactory that the loan could be got at a lower rate of interest. Four years ago the Company owed nearly \$100,000, since then had been reduced to \$72,000, the amount at which it now stood, while the rate of interest was reduced. He considered the state of business satisfactory, and hoped that in course of time the Company would rid itself of the debt altogether.

Mr. Sharp asked if the Company did not pay interest at the rate of 64 per cent. The Chairman replied that was the rate.

but it had been reduced to 6 per cent. The meeting then proceeded to re-elect Mesers Belilios and Chater as directors. The motion, which was proposed by the Chairman and second by Mr Vaucher, was unanimously carried.

The re-election of Mr. H. Smith and Mr. Vaucher, as auditors, was also unanimously

The Chairman then announced the meeting as having terminated. The dividend rants would be ready by the 10th prox. Mr. Vaucher then proposed a vote of

Chairman and the meeting

A TROUPE of Chinese actors, consisting of no less than 89 persons, has lately arrived at Moulmein, where they propose to give a series of performances in the Exchange Hall. - Indian paper.

THE Straits Observer thus comments on the the Grosvenor initiation was one of the con- proved a great success. On the previous flung it down in another room. To all her tial Paradise, they therefore some back to it was only last Wednesday that I was all her biderations offered to Mr Wade to preserve Saturday the first were lighted, but as the prayers and enquiries he current their friends to then were the walking in the suburbs of Hongkong and ounce go back. Every consideration will sure sufficient to try the engines, which are last she rushed to her mother, who immeditely is very finds the same whether howeved near us. Now they perched in urgs us forward, and we are much afraid inverted disgonal compound, of forty ately took up her cause and let that young you find it in the East or West.

I rout, then skimmed the ground touching that the prophecy we made months and horse-power nominal. Each propeller is man know what it was to have a motherthat we shall be engaged in another Chinese driven by a separate engine to admit of the in-law. Then she took her dailgeter by war in the spring will come true. This vessel being turned rapidly. Much has the hand and led her into the young man's will add to the respitusibility of the Straits been said, and many ancors have been in room; who, litting his eyes, beheld before Liovernment, for it we poter on another dulged in at the expense of the Chinese him one of the most charming maidens be

Calcutta Statesman puts it. a blaze of war preading from the Irawaddy slong the whole line of the Peninsula to Singapore. And the Government of the Straits is in a muddle such as it never was in before and should not be in now !"

THE Press publishes the following tele-

London, 24th January,-Increase in the next Army Estimates is announced. Calcutta, 26th January .- The Prince of Wales met with a gorgeous reception

Cashmero. There was a splendid pageant the body-guards clad in chain mail recalled the Crusades period. The Prince witnessed the fiveworks from places specially erected. The landscape was lit up for miles round. London, 26th January.-Troops will be sent through Burman to meet the Hon. W. Grosvouor a party at Bhamo.

It is stated that Brenier Mormorand [] Montmorand: En. C.M.] is to be the French Minister in China. Major General Margary is dead. A sixpenny postage between England and

India has been decided on. There has been an accident on the Great Northern Kallway. Thirteen persons killed and 21 injured.

SUPPRISE has, says the Indian Statesman, often been expressed at the very dark complexion of the Goznese descendants of the Portuguese settlers in the country." passage in the "Land of the Tamplians preter, by way of clearing up the matter, gives the following amusing solution of the prepared for ironship building, and have matter :- In 1570 Albuquerque took Goa lact been getting the necessary plant ready and made it the seat of the Government and building the vessel at the same time. and Missionary enterprise. Albuquerque, however, had continued fights to carry on against the Mahemedans, and foresaw that for generations to come it would take mere soldiers than Portugal would be able to supply, and he, therefore, resolved to draw

his recruits from India. tive girls and the children of these with any degree of liking, but Albuquerque killed or banished the Mahomedans, confisdowries to these marriages. This had the desired effect; in a short time hundreds and thousands of such marriages were celebrated, and as the girls were compelled to embrage Christianity before the marriages were delebrated or the dowries bestowed, and form, and were allowed to follow was stated the other day. heathenish forms as much as possible."

> Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.)

28th January, 1876.

NEW YEAR PESTIVITIES. A youngster 12 years of age was charge with parading through the streets in company with other boys with au imitation Dragon. The other boys were beating drums and gongs. The defendant said be was only the carrier of the crum. Discharged with a caution.

Two Chinese were brought up for gambling at Bowrington. The first was proved to be the manager and was sent to one month's hard labour. The second, who was simply a player, was sent to seven days'

Several other cases of street gambling came under the cognizance of the magis-The notice convening the meeting having trate, and the offenders were sent to seven days' hard labour each.

Frederick Wellington, late chief mate of the German brig Tartar, was charged by Capt. Hermann Kaemena, master of the said vessel, with stealing some sheets of copper. The captain preferred the charge on the information of the second mate, who had a quarrel with the defendant. He only informed against him because he had a quarrel with him. The alleged theft was said to have taken place some weeks sgo while the ship was at Vladivostock. It also turned dut that the captain had a row with the defendant, hence the charge. Under the circumstances the defendant was disit | charged without being called upon to state his defence.

FIRE CBACKERS.

About thirty Chinese were brought up for firing crackers in the Street, in violation of the Ordinance in such case made and provided. They were fined \$11 each, and admonished.

HOUSE-BREAKING.

Wong Ayip was again brought up for attempting to break into Mr Sampson's house The defendant was committed for trial at the Supreme Court.

DISBASED PIGS. Two Chinese were charged by Inspector McKinney with having in their possession a pig which was pronounced by the Colonial Surgeon to be bad with measles. The first tried to exculpate himself by implicating the second, by the assertion that the port in O urt was sent to him to be resated by his friend on the left. The second in turn tried to implicate the slaughter-house lease by stating that the pig was slattghtered there. The latter, however, succeeded in disproving any connection with the affair and was consequently discharged. other defendants were respectively flood \$25 and \$50, or two and four months hard labour. The fines were paid.

Ohina. SHANGHAL.

(Courter de Gazette.)

yards. Probably this might be found sufficient to pierce the six inch planking which forms the sides of the English gunboats carrying the seven-inch gun, which present a much greater target surface than the little Chinaman, and which might be pierced at 3,000 yards. In building vessel of this class the Chinese are only following the footsteps of Western nations The Austrian Government has two such vessels with 14 inch plating at the water line and 2 inches at the battery, and the Swedish Government has ten such vessels with 11 inch at the water line and 2 inches at the battery; whereas this vessel has inches plating at the water line and 21 inches at the battery. The Chinese were no It is now one year and eight months since the ironclad was first commenced, and many may think that a long time for building so small a vessel, which, no doubt, it is, if compared with the time taken to build one tingland; but it has been begun and nearly finished since the launch of the last frigate He therefore married his soldiers to na- at the Arsenal, which has been over two years in the water, It is thought that if the marriages were educated in the military Chinese do not go to war until she is finishschools. Neither the soldiers, the girls, ed there will be peace in the East for some nor their parents regarded these marriages | considerable time. In fact it takes as many years to make a Chinese frigate's engines as knew how to make them palatable. He it would months to make those of an English one. The Chinese in preferring iron ships cated their possessions, and gave them as to wooden ones, and small gun-boats like this to frigates which are scarcely able to gross the Woosung Bar, show their wisdom. It is believed that the Chinese intend build ing an armourolad of a much larger size as soon as the necessary plant has been got ready. We may mention, in conclusion, Gos was soon filled with Christians. They that the ironclad above referred to is no were Ohristians, however, in name only called the Terror of Western Nations, as

with a singularly unattractive daughter : must needs be the owner of the kite; and any silk, he rushed madly to look after his inspired by the romance of the situation, cart. Of course it had disappeared: so. she took up a pencil, wrote hastily some curiously enough, had his two friends; and love verses upon it, and flung it over the he has never yet had the satisfaction of wall again. But the entire scene had been asking them what became of his two hunwatched by the ugly sister, and, burning dred taels worth of precious silk. with jealousy, she determined to turn it to her own advantage. Accordingly she sent her Abigail to find out the owner of the kite, to represent her as having written the thing. A native friend who is more or less: verses, and to arrange an interview in the familiar with the Old Testament informs garden-a most improper proceeding, of as that in a certain district north of the course, and one which was only excusable Yellow River the inhabitants have been from the extreme youth of the plain though | suffering almost as great distress and scarsportive lady herself. The maid soon put city as prevailed in the days of Joseph, the the plan into execution, and the deluded Protestant Vicercy of Egypt | and that the siu-tsai found himself at the appointed time outside his charmer's window. When formidable incursion of the starying people. however he found that he was expected to The villagers gave them however but walk up, he heartily wished himself out of cold reception and they were compalled to: the scrape; but there was no help for it. encamp outside the city walls and shiver He was shown into the lady's boudoir, and miserably in atraw hovels. When the found the lady herself hiding behind the mandarin heard of this he expostulated curtains. A pretty pair of lovers, truly | with the inhabitants of the neighbourhood and the lamp was burning so low he could telling them it was their duty rather to hardly see where he was. The coy creature feed and clothe the unfortunate men and confessed that she had written the billet- women who had come to them for protection doux; but it was impossible for a long time and concluded by enjolning them to lose to coax her out of her concealment, until no time in relieving their distress. But at length the lover threatened all sorts of when the interlopers heard of this. desperate measures if she did not satisfy found that they were befriended by the his curiosity. Then, with great reluctance. she showed her blushing features. The sfu-tsat stared in blank amazement at the grotesque object which he saw before him ; and then, with a cry of rage and disgust at having been so grievously taken in, bolted down stairs and made the best of his way over the garden wall. Shortly afterwards, the father of this gay Lothario announced that he had arranged a marriage for him with one of this very mandarin's daughters and upon enquiry he concluded that he was doomed to be bound for life to the tight creature who had made love to him on that memorable night. "Very well," he replied. "if I must, I must ; but I tell you frankly misrepresented and the preschers of it stely afterwards." But there was no help brought to bear upon the minds of would- has done this dead | an old Resident like for it. the marriage-day arrived, and this be converts. The Chinese are, as is well myself would remember how carefully a Nov. 27, Jylland, from Hamburg to Honge graceless youth behaved as badly as ever he known, firm believers in the powers of few years ago birds of any kind were could. Both sisters were given in wedlock darkness, and their luftuends over the esteemed in the Island, and how the late could. Both sisters were given in wedlook the same day, and both of course were actions of living persons; and this superstill in his efforts to action of living persons; and this superstill in his efforts to be supposed as a means whereby to scare with the indecent behaviour of the young bridegroom; the other was an elderly, respectable sort of man who had been chosen on account of his position. After the one of the position. After the ball of representing the ghosts of comedy began in carness. The state of the fact of the same of the position of another smooth the same, the same of the On Saturday last a trial was made of the by the way, had grown in the meantime to the Ancestral Hall of Heaven to are the larger kind which are to rare THE OFFICE CONSTRUCTION the despatch of the little fron-clad now being be a children but took his materian and Sternly excluded from the joys of the Celest worthy of a paragraph in your solumns.

kong had made 63 runs (Mr. H. H. Taylor | crusade against China we shall have, as the | efficials, and the fighting qualities of the had ever seen. Mutual explanations follow. | of the Samuel Russell Free Library to the | the black and shining wing, or by a rapid a vessel of this class may have shown more tempestuously ended in happiness and large audience was gathered in the Lecture- tail. wisdom than foreigners give them credit repose. But meanwhile a far worse scene room, and in the course of the speeches for, and attended to the interests of their was being enacted in the other bridal which were delivered a very interesting country and the requirements of its sea- chamber. The plain sister had been under account was given by one of the speakers of the repeated the action or been successful. service in doing no. The ressel is not the impression that her old flame was to the commercial career of the generous donor, intended to proceed to Europe to cope with fall to her share, and mightily disgusted who was also the founder of the house of European navies in their own waters; but was she when her real husband stood ra. Russell & Co., in China. The education of to serve the Chinese in the shallow rivers _vealed. "Good gracious me!" she exclaimed this gentleman appears to have been some; and creeks which abound here, and where -or whatever may be the equivalent for what limited, as he lived in a time "when vessels carrying seven-inch guns could not | that in Chinese Aiyah | perhaps - "Why, | men were satisfied to give the brief but follow. It can hardly be thought that the how old you have got since we met I and sound and thorough schooling of the day, Chinese would be foolbardy enough to take pray where did you get these nasty mousts and then expected them to enter upon the vessel out to sea to encounter the ches from!"-"Oh indeed madam," replied" their life's work." Mr Russell started in Audacious; but lying close under the bank the husband; so you have already had a the employ of Carrington and Hoppin in of the river it might be found difficult to lover, have you! Though you're mistaken whose interest he came out to China. At hit her. The gun which she carries sends in thinking I was the happy man." The the end of his agreement he acceded to the a shot with a total energy of 2,073 tons, or lady uttered a shrick of despair at this 218 tons greater than that attributed to the terrible revelation, and was altogether so head of the Chinese Hong" and started seven-inch Woolwich gun, and could pierce disgusted by the turn affairs had taxen, that the side of even the Audacious up to 500 she resorted to the not very uncommon expedient of hanging herself upon the spot.

Chinese doctors, as we have frequently

remarked, are for many reasons a very

unenviable race of men. If they happen to

fail in their endeavours to cure a patient

with perhaps as incurable disease, they

run a risk of incurring serious punishment, which varies in severity according to the rank of the sick person; and they are continually being made the victims or the instruments of some untoward hoar. the neighbourhood of Peking, just outside the walls, there lived some time worthy follower of whoever may be the Chinese counterpart of Esculapius; and he enjoyed a widespread reputation for ability. Indeed so great was his fame that he found it advisable to move into the City itself. where he established himself in a large house and speedily secured a handsome practice. One day two individuals, who appear to have followed the ancient calling of shoulifters, went to a large silk-mercer's and asked to be shown some patterns of silk and satin. There was to be a grand wedding, they said, at the house of a wealthy mandarin : the ladies were anxious to have the most splendid dresses prosprable; doctors who were not pledged abstainers would the shop-keeper oblige them by bringing out some samples of his most favour of alcohol either as a food or as costly fabrics, and accompanying them to the bride's house? The unfortunate mercer | by the Chairman, Mr Dumaresq, and hearwas delighted, and speedily got together | tily responded to, which was accorded after some rolls of satin worth in all a couple of hundred taels. They then mounted their carts, and proceeded to the house of this physician, the hu-t'ung in which he lived being quite cluttered-up with the various con- however had sufficient confidence to do so veyances of his wealthy patients, "Look," said one of the rascals, "how many rich | A school has lately been started here folk are paying visits of congratulation! These people will give you a handsome | man in the Customs, and Russell & Co.'s price for your goods, you may be sure." Compradors. There are about twenty Now it was a custom of the worthy doctor | pupils at present, and most of the learners to see the general body of his patients in are grown up people. Part of the day they Not long ago, there lived a wealthy an outer room; but those who wished for a are under a foreigner who teaches them mandarin who had two wives. The lady more private and confidential interview English, and the remainder of the day they who held the superior rank was blessed could, by paying an extra fee, be received are instructed in Chinese by a native in the inner spartments. So these two teacher. she was short, deeply pitted with the small- scamps told their victim to sit down in the pox, and her features outrageously distort- porchway while they want in and took the ed. Everything that money could buy, sating for the approval of the ladies; and, made to enable this port to be suitably however, was hers; and she did her best to leaving him amid a crowd of the poor par represented at the forthcoming Philadelphia counteract her deformity with the costliest | tients, paid their fee and passed into the Exhibition. Consequently skilled Chinese silks and jewels obtainable. The daughter private consultation rooms. The doctor artisans have contributed marvels of carved of the number-two wife was proportionately listened to their imaginary symptoms, and work and ornamentation, including bedpretty; and the two girls occupied different | gave them a prescription; whereupon they | steads, chairs, cabinets, washstands, stools pavilions in a large and handsome garden. gravely thanked him, and took their leave picture frames, and wardrobes. All these Now it fell out one day, when they were by a side door especially reserved for the are elaborately got up, and one bedstead is both about sixteen years of age, that a young | convenience of the swells. Meanwhile the | valued at eight hundred dollars; this latter student was amusing himself with the luckless mercer thought the young lady is a perfect structure of carving and imposmanly recreation of kite flying, just outside was a long time making up her mind, and sible dragons. The whole of the collection the garden wall; when as luck would have at length requested the kan-min-tein to go was on view on Saturday and Sunday, and it, the string broke and the ki e fell-flut, and see if she wasn't nearly ready. That a well-known resident has taken photogratering over, quite close to the rooms occu- individual stared, and evidently thought phic views of some of the principal articles. pied by the prettier of the two girls. This | the visitor's disease was mental rather than | Vessels in port : U.S.S. Monocacy and adventurous young person hopped timidly physical; but when the denouement came, three Chinese gunboats, besides the steamers out into the garden, picked it up, and found | and the victim found that he was in a docthat upon it was pourtrayed the face of a tor's house, that there were no ladies in the handsome youth, who, to her imagination, case, and nobody was in pressing need of

> A little knowledge may be a dangerous thing, but it is far oftener a very comical country near Nanking has been visited by authorities, they armed themselves with bamboos and made a raid upon the people louting wherever they could get a chance and doing a deal of mischler i and we hear that the disturbance is even now far from b ing at an end. The villagers are said to be in a state of terror for miles round, and to wish their disagreeable visitors had gone

for aucqour somewhere else. We fancy that few people have any idea of the varied nature of the difficulties which missionaries encounter in their attempts to spread Christianity among the Chinese, Not only are the dootrines of the faith I'll never either look at her or speak to her, often much maligned, but imaginary terrors by a Resident." and I shall marry somebody else immedi- connected with the discent wor'd are peace, it necessarily follows that if any copper piping was found very deficient the or retorted by some outling remark upon emissaries of Christianity, and so take motived with admiration to my companion barm comes to it war must ensue. We steam was never allowed to rise to a pres her moral and physical deformities. At warning by their own sed faters Truly, the tameness of a few small birds as they

> gives a glowing description of the Dedica- near us to plumo themselves, and we stood tion Ceremonies recently performed at Mid. | Still to watch their swift movements as they distorn on the good of the presentation | revealed now the white of the throat, then

pressing entreaties of Howqua, "the great upon his own account, thereby becoming the founder of the house since so famous in the East, and which still clings to the name under which he won such well-deserv ed prestige, the house of Russell & Company." The speaker went on to say tha there is probably no seat of commerce in the world where mercantile honour and strict integrity, frankness of dealing and generous, manly enterprise are more valued and better understood than they have been on these foreign shores; that Christian property may equal though it cannot outdo the uprightness of those heathen (Chinee) and that the friendship which existed between Mr Russell and Howqua is a sufficient eulogy of the mercantile career of the former gentleman. The theory is a novel

MINGPO.

(Courier Correspondent.) 18th January, 1876. Last evening a lecture was given in the Club Reading Room, by that indefatigable fail somewhat in his observations. advocate of total abatinence. Mr Wheatley. The title of the lecture was 'A Shot at the Decenter.' Mr Wheatley discoursed on the customs of the day in regard to drink. He read the opinions of a number of eminent land in each case the verdict was not in medicine. A vote of thanks was called for the Chairman had intimated that if any one had anything to say on the other side of the question-if there was another side -he had better relieve his mind, No one

and the meeting broke up. The promoters of the scheme are a gentle-

Active preparations have lately been

NANKING. (Courier Correspondent.)

The anti-opium edicts lately issued this City, which I see have been already noticed in your columns, have done a deal of good. Our new Governor, Shen, has instituted a war to the knife against opium dens, and it has had the effect already of closing over four thousand of these miserable aids to poverty and vice among the people. The drug can, it is true, be bought and smoked at home; but not a single public opium-house now exists in the city. It remains to be seen whether the Governor will be able to maintain this rigorous policy or whether, like his predecessor, he will gradually relax his decrees. It has had one bad result, however, I am serry to say : -an alarming amount of petty thieving is now carried on at night by those who were formerly wont to dream the happy hours

away over the tempting pipe! Owing to an Edict lately received from Peking, extracts from the treaties have been hung outside the various Yamens declaring the rights of foreigners to travel in the interior, and commanding the people to treat them with civility. This appears to be one good result, at any rate, of the re-

cent negociations. After come very hard freezing we were visited for the first time this year by snow on the night of the 5th inst, and from then till now it has fallen almost ceaselessly: but it never exceeds an inch upon the ground, and melts almost as quickly as

CORRESPONDENCE.

A PLEA

To the Editor of the "Onthe Mait" Hongkong, Jan 28, 1876. Sin, I regret to read in your last evening's issue that "aix woodcooks had been shot the day before not far from the Town

Sprely it must be a new Resident who

it lightly, and bounding from it like a grace-The Middletown Senting and Witness Inland adroit danseuss-then they stopped

little gun-boat. The Mandarins in building ed, and the night which had begun so citizens. We read that a select but not turn, the russet colour below the ever-agile

At that moment a group of sailors passed and one took out his pistol and fired ; had we should certainly have told him he was transgressing a useful and valuable law of

Hoping the " Resident" will allow woodcooks in the future to increase in our little Island where there is surely room for man and bird-Believe me

Yours faithfully, BIRDETT COUTTE

ORACKERS.

To the Editor of the "OHINA MAIL" Hongkong, Jan. 26, 1876 Sin, I was somewhat surprised to see your correspondent "Observer" criticians, accusing some "grown men" of throwing fire-crackers amongst the stells to the damage of the goods for sale in Jerrois Street. He seemed very glad to describe the nationality of the parties as other than European or American, and thus shows that he is himself either one or the other. I do not altogether deny the cocurrence. but desire to point out to "Observer" that as an eye-witness and a victim of the conduct referred to, I can safely say that there were also several Europeans present, who seemed to enjoy the fun most heartily. One of them flung a bundle of fire crackers into the air, which fell upon a lady's bonnet and nearly burnt her face, while others were scattering crackers in the most growded path-ways.

li half-a-dozen European policemen be employed next year to arrest those doing the mischief, it will then be seen who are the most to blams. "Observer" seemed to Yours do.

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Quotations. HONGKONG, Jan. 28, 1876. PIUM. -- New Patna, cash ... 605 Old Patna, cash New Benares, cash, 570 Old Benaves, cash, -New Malwa, cash, 585 Allowance Taels, — Old Malwa, cash, 590 Allowance Tack, ---CAMPHOR, ... QUICKSILVER ... 91 SALTPETRE. ... 5 a 5 Exchange. Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 4/01 Credit, 6 months' sight ... 4/01 On Calcutta, Bank demand, ... R 225 , Bombay, demand, ... R. 225 Shanghai, demand, Shanghai, 30 days' sight, ... 73

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Hongkong, Jan. 28, 1876. (Taken at Mesers, Balconer & Co.'s Premises, Quen's Road.) THERMOMETER-9 L. M.

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Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING. The following is given in the London & China Express, dated December 10:-

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Nov. 24, J. H. Kimball, from New York to Yokohama. Nov. 26, Annie Fish, from Cardiff to. Hongkong. Nov. 26, Comet, from Boston, U.S. to Nov. 27, Tamesa, from London to Yoka-Dec. 1, Oceanus, from Cardiff to House

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or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West. G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

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OLYPHANT & Co. General Agents Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

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Hongkong, June 3, 1874

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THE PARTY PROPERTY. ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, September 6, 1873,

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Agents, Royal Insurance Company. Hongkong, October 27, 1874

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